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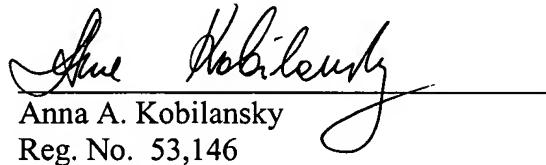
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In accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02, VIII(c) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the materials listed on the attached PTO-1449 form are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the Petition to Make Special Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) filed concurrently herewith. Copies of the references listed on the PTO-1449 that are not already of record are enclosed herewith.

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